

# **IN-NEWSLETTER**

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**Upcoming In-Person Meetings and Event** 

2019 ARRL National Convention at Dayton Hamvention

May 17 – 19 @ Xenia, OH

**Executive Committee Meeting** 

May 20 @ Xenia, OH

**Arizona State Convention 2019** 

May 31 @ Prescott, AZ

Northwestern Division Convention (SEA-

PAC)

May 31 – June 2 @ Seaside, OR

**West Gulf Division Convention (Ham-Com)** 

June 7 @ Plano, TX

HAM Radio Friedrichshafen

June 21 – 23 @ Friedrichshafen, GERMANY

### **ARRL Audio News**

Please listen to the most recent *ARRL Audio News Podcast*, dated May 3, 2019: https://www.blubrry.com/arrlaudionews/43693263/arrl-audio-news-may-3-2019?sbe=1

# **Chief Executive Office**

Reported by Carla Pereira, KC1HSX

Howard Michel, WB2ITX, and Diane Middleton, W2DLM, held their monthly overview meetings with several departments including Development, Publications, IT, Editorial/Production and Radiosport/Field Services.

Preparations and planning continue for Dayton Hamvention and the Executive Committee meeting next week in Ohio.

HQ staff enjoyed a delicious catered tasting from DiBella's Subs, thanks to Michelle Patnode, W3MVP, who won the free lunch by entering her ARRL business card in a drawing. Thanks Michelle!

### **Communications**

Reported by Dave Isgur, N1RSN

<u>Top Social Media Posts, Podcast Downloads, and Videos Uploaded to YouTube</u>

# April 14 to 20:

**Facebook:** Let's celebrate World Amateur Radio Day (WARD)! Today (Thursday, Aproil 18) marks the 94th anniversary of the International Amateur Radio Union (IARU), founded in Paris in 1925. Each year, WARD celebrates "Amateur Radio's Contribution to Society." The occasion is being celebrated with on-

the-air activities around the globe. Visit <a href="http://www.iaru.org/world-amateur-radio-day.html">http://www.iaru.org/world-amateur-radio-day.html</a> to learn more! #amateurradio #hamradio

**Twitter:** Honda Portable Generators Recalled Due to Potential Fire Hazard <a href="http://ow.ly/FS3V101yq6k">http://ow.ly/FS3V101yq6k</a> #ARRL #HamRadio

**Instagram:** Celebrating World Amateur Radio Day!!! Today (Thursday. April 18) marks the 94th anniversary of the International Amateur Radio Union (IARU). So get in the air or promote Amateur Radio and it's contribution to society. #amateurradio #hamradio #WARD

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# April 21 to 27:

Facebook: Listen to the latest episode of, The Doctor is In

**Twitter:** Low Audio for ISS SSTV Transmissions Raises Issue of Crew's Ability to Intervene http://ow.ly/o00y101z9n4 #ARRL #HamRadio

## April 28 to May 4:

**Facebook:** Get to Dayton Hamvention, host of the 2019 ARRL National Convention, May 17-19 in Xenia, Ohio. <a href="http://hamvention.org">http://hamvention.org</a>

Twitter: "Put Howard to Work" Event Canceled <a href="http://ow.ly/9evy101zKQ8">http://ow.ly/9evy101zKQ8</a> #ARRL #HamRadio

**So Now What? Podcast:** 25,484 downloads as of 5/6

**YouTube:** - Product Review Video for May Digital *QST*- FT-4XR handheld transceiver - Event App for Dayton Hamvention and 2019 ARRL National Convention

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Reported by Joe Carcia, NJ1Q

#### <u>WIAW</u>

Thank you to five members of the Candlewood ARA (<a href="http://www.cararadioclub.org/">http://www.cararadioclub.org/</a>) for operating W1AW during the 2019 New England QSO Party (<a href="https://neqp.org/">https://neqp.org/</a>). They made 423 QSOs on 20 meters, using CW and phone, for an initial claimed score of 25,427.

Joe began to troubleshoot a problem with the Oscar 1 Satellite (<a href="http://www.arrl.org/news/oscar-i-and-amateur-radio-satellites-celebrating-50-years">http://www.arrl.org/news/oscar-i-and-amateur-radio-satellites-celebrating-50-years</a>) in preparation of it being on display at the AMSAT booth at Dayton Hamvention.

Joe and Michelle Patnode also recorded another episode of the "So Now What?" podcast.

Scott Gee, WB9RRU, worked on fast and slow code practice files for the week. He processed one paper and thirteen electronic VUCC applications for a total of 844 credits.

### **Product Development**

Reported by Bob Inderbitzen, NQ1R

On May 1, Bob Inderbitzen was among the guests interviewed on Ham Nation to help celebrate the show's 400<sup>th</sup> episode: https://youtu.be/WG4lx6y3\_\_c

Bob participated in a publication planning meeting. He also reviewed drafts of a survey sent to volunteer frequency coordinators. Jackie Ferreira, KB1PWB, published the survey and survey invitation on Friday, May 3.

ARRL materials were committed to support an Amateur Radio social event being held during the IEEE International Microwave Symposium in Boston, June 4. Howard will address the event. A group of member-volunteers will also operate an exhibit during the week-long Symposium to help represent Amateur Radio and ARRL.

EEWeb has featured an article by Max Maxfield with praise for the 2019 *ARRL Handbook* as among <u>The Best Way to Begin Learning Analog Electronics</u> (April 22, 2019).

# Hamvention Planning

We've enjoyed many nice comments from members about the ARRL Dayton Hamvention mobile event app <u>introduced last week</u>. There are over 1,000 registered users so far. Eric Casey, KC2ERC, is administering the app and reports very few support inquiries. The app is a collaborative effort between ARRL and Dayton Hamvention. Visit your app store to download it, or search for "Hamvention" in the Apple and Google Play app stores. The following link will automatically redirect you to the appropriate app store to download the app, or you will be redirected to the web-browser version which is optimized for nearly any computer or mobile device: <a href="http://www.tripbuildermedia.com/apps/arrl">http://www.tripbuildermedia.com/apps/arrl</a>. Bob prepared a joint press release for ARRL and Dayton Hamvention about the new app.

### **Radiosport**

Reported by Norm Fusaro, W3IZ

Paper/Fieldcheck Processing Time	3 weeks
Logbook Processing Time	1 – 2 business days
2019 DXCC Applications	4,143
2019 WAS Applications	795
2019 VUCC Applications	248
2019 WAC Applications	38
2019 WPX Applications	291
2019 WAZ Applications	314

### **Sales and Marketing**

Reported by Yvette Vinci, KC1AIM

Jackie Ferreira reports that April product sales were \$189,426, falling short of the sales forecast of \$217,067. Direct sales were \$129,469; dealer sales were \$59,957. Royalties earned on sales of our Kindle e-books were \$6,687; \$8,500 was forecast (\$27,339 YTD; \$34,000 forecast). Year-to-date sales are \$870,701; \$5,461 ahead of forecast.

Yvette finalized decorating and drayage with the exhibit services company. She is also organizing training for those staff who will be responsible for conducting sales and commerce for ARRL at the convention. Eric Casey will provide a demonstration on navigating the Dayton Hamvention event app to staff attending the convention. The demonstration will go into detail on how to fill out the "My Profile" feature, as well as exploring the forums and exhibitors' listings. This will be useful for staff as Hamvention attendees may have questions.

Steve Capodicasa reports that our shipment for ARRL's exhibits arrived in Ohio: 10 pallets - 6,400 lbs.

An email promoting Dayton Hamvention® and the 2019 ARRL National Convention was distributed to 198,093 current and lapsed members and featured the NEW! FREE Dayton Hamvention event app, ARRL Programs and Activities Guide and more.

A Frequency Coordinator survey was conducted to explore ways to improve how repeater information can be made available to the Amateur Radio community.

Our team of Member Service Representatives handled 3,269 calls in April, versus 3,665 in April 2018. The team includes Margie Bourgoin, KB1DCO, Jon Faasen, AA1EZ, Liz Karpiej, KA1DTU, Kim McNeill, KM1IPA, and Cathy Stepina.

Margie reports that in April we processed 18 paid-in-full Life Memberships.

Now Shipping: *The ARRL General Class License Manual* 9th Edition – for exams beginning July 1, 2019.

# Hamfests/ Conventions/Meetings/ ARRL Representative/Vacations

05/31	PTO
05/15 - 05/19	ARRL National Convention/Hamvention, Xenia, OH
05/16 - 05/19	ARRL National Convention/Hamvention, Xenia, OH
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05/15 - 05/19	ARRL National Convention/Hamvention, Xenia, OH
05/24	PTO
07/01 - 07/03	PTO
07/12	PTO
07/19	PTO
07/26	PTO
08/02	PTO
08/05 - 08/09	PTO
08/16	PTO
08/23	PTO
08/30	PTO
10/14	PTO
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Scott Gee	05/16 - 05/17	PTO
"	06/10 - 06/12	PTO
"	08/19 - 08/22	PTO
Ed Hare	05/16 - 05/19	ARRL National Convention/Hamvention, Xenia, OH
Dan Henderson	05/07 - 05/10	PTO
"	05/18 - 05/21	Executive Committee Meeting, Dayton, OH
"	07/01 - 07/03	PTO
Bob Inderbitzen	05/15 - 05/19	ARRL National Convention/Hamvention, Xenia, OH
"	05/30 - 06/03	SEA-PAC, Seaside, OR
"	06/04	PTO
Dave Isgur	05/16 - 05/19	ARRL National Convention/Hamvention, Xenia, OH
Bart Jahnke	05/15 - 05/19	ARRL National Convention/Hamvention, Xenia, OH
Alli McLellan	05/16 - 05/19	ARRL National Convention/Hamvention, Xenia, OH
Kim McNeill	05/15 - 05/19	ARRL National Convention/Hamvention, Xenia, OH
Howard Michel	05/16 - 05/19	ARRL National Convention/Hamvention, Xenia, OH
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"	05/28	PTO
"	05/29	Working from MA
"	05/30 - 06/02	SEA-PAC, Seaside, OR
"	06/03	Working from MA
"	06/04	International Microwave Symposium, Boston, MA
"	06/05	Working from MA
"	06/06 - 06/09	West Gulf Division Convention at Ham-Com, Plano, TX
"	06/19 - 06/23	HAM RADIO 2019, Friedrichshafen, Germany
"	07/18 - 07/20	ARRL 2 <sup>nd</sup> Board Meeting, Windsor, CT
Diane Middleton	05/10	PTO
"	06/24 - 06/28	PTO
"	11/25 - 11/29	PTO
Michelle Patnode	05/15 - 05/19	ARRL National Convention/Hamvention, Xenia, OH
Carla Pereira	05/16 - 05/19	ARRL National Convention/Hamvention, Xenia, OH
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"	06/05 - 06/07	ASAE Marketing, Membership & Communications
		Conference, Washington, D.C.
44	08/02 - 08/16	PTO
Janet Rocco	05/16 - 05/19	ARRL National Convention/Hamvention, Xenia, OH
Michael Scharr	05/15 - 05/19	ARRL National Convention/Hamvention, Xenia, OH
Yvette Vinci	05/15 - 05/19	ARRL National Convention/Hamvention, Xenia, OH

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